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IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
OBARA TOMOYUKI : GROUP ART UNIT: 1732
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FOR: BLOW MOLDING METHOD AND BLOW MOLDED PRODUCT

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

Supplemental to the response filed in the above-identified application on May 20, 2003, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the Claims as follows.

1. (Twice Amended) A blow-molding method for fiber-containing thermoplastic resins, comprising:

holding a parison comprising an inorganic fiber-containing, melt-expandable thermoplastic resin, between a pair of facing splits of a mold;

blowing said parison to shape it; and

thereafter reducing a gaseous pressure inside said parison, to thereby again expand said inorganic fiber-containing, melt-expandable thermoplastic resin, to obtain a blow-molding.